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SUBJECT: US-EC ENVIRONMENT MEETING

REF: EC BRUSSELS 1332

1. DURING RECENT MEETING IN PARIS OF OECD ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE, IT WAS NOT POSSIBLE TO DISCUSS IN ANY DETAIL WITH EC COMMISSION REPS THE SCHEDULING OF THE NEXT US-EC ENVIRONMENT MEETING. (IT WILL BE RECALLED THAT ATTEMPTS EARLY THIS YEAR TO SCHEDULE SUCH A MEETING TO COINCIDE WITH THE RECENT ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING FAILED.)

2. THE NEXT SESSION OF THE ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE IS SCHEDULED IN PARIS JULY 6-8. SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY OF APPROPRIATE PERSONNEL AND TRAVEL FUNDS, IT MIGHT BE DESIRABLE TO TRY TO SCHEDULE THE NEXT US-EC MEETING FOR
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BRUSSELS JULY 12-13/14. ALTERNATIVELY, WE UNDERSTAND

THAT THE EC COMMISSION MAY BE TRAVELING TO CANADA
SOMETIME THIS SPRING FOR ENVIRONMENTAL DISCUSSIONS (AS
IT DID LAST YEAR), AND IT MIGHT BE PREFERABLE FROM THE
EC'S POINT OF VIEW AGAIN THIS YEAR TO SCHEDULE THE
MEETING WITH THE US IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE TRIP TO
OTTAWA.

3. MISSION IS REQUESTED TO EXAMINE THIS ISSUE INFORMALLY
WITH ZITO OR OTHER APPROPRIATE COMMISSION OFFICIAL, AND
REPORT THEIR REACTION TO WHAT APPEAR TO US TO BE THE
TWO MOST PRACTICAL POSSIBILITIES FOR THE NEXT ROUND
OF ENVIRONMENTAL TALKS. KISSINGER

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